

## SEVERE LOCAL STORMS, FEBRUARY, 1927

[The table herewith contains such data as have been received concerning severe local storms that occurred during the month. A more complete statement will appear in the Annual Report of the Chief of Bureau]

Place	Date	Time	Width of path, yards <sup>1</sup>	Loss of life	Value of property destroyed	Character of storm	Remarks	Authority
Southern Iowa.....	4-5				\$25,000	Heavy rains.....	Cofferdam washed out near Delhi, causing destruction of construction equipment; dirt roads impassable.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
New York, N. Y., and vicinity.	4-5			4		High winds, sleet, and snow.	Considerable property damage in and around the greater city; many casualties from skidding cars.	Do. Herald-Times (New York).
Illinois (northern).....	5					Floods.....	Railway tracks washed out near bureau; 23,000 acres inundated.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
New Jersey.....	5					Sleet and glaze.....	Minor inconveniences and some property damage.	Do.
Toledo, Ohio.....	5					Ice.....	Severe storm but no damage of consequence reported.	Do.
Childress, Tex.	7	6 p. m.	15 mi.		5,000	Heavy hail.....	Damage considerable over path 20 miles long....	Do.
California (southern half).....	10-17			18		Wind, rain, floods, and snowslides.	Damage principally by floods; orchards and citrus fruits severely injured; scores hurt and many driven from homes; most buildings in San Diego damaged.	Do.
Louisiana (southern).....	12-13					Rain, wind, and small tornado.	Many telephone lines out of commission; some damage by flooding. Tornado occurred at Alexandria.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau; Times-Picayune (New Orleans, La.).
Millen (near), Ga.....	13	P. m.			1,000	High wind.....	Trees blown down; slight damage to dwellings; schoolhouse wrecked.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Harrisburg, Pa.....	13	P. m.				Ice.....	Slight damage to wires; streets and highways in bad condition; many accidents reported.	Do.
Ohio.....	13-14					Sleet.....	Storm quite severe at Ashland; character of damage not reported.	Do.
Lake Magdalene, Fla. (12 miles north of).....	14					Small tornado.....	Small burn upset.	Do.
Denver, Colo.....	15	P. m.				Wind.....	Grandstand partly unroofed; skylight broken....	Post (Denver, Colo.).
Calro, Ill.....	17					Thunderstorm and wind.	10 poles broken; trolley and street-lighting circuits severed; traffic delayed.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Colorado (southwestern).....	17					Wind, snow, and snowslides.	Rail service crippled; buildings demolished by slides; 2 persons missing.	Post (Denver, Colo.).
Covington and Kenton, Tenn. (near).....	17	P. m.				Electrical and wind.	One barn burned and others wrecked; some livestock killed.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Dodge City, Kans.....	17					Wind, snow, and dust.	Many motor cars stalled; streets blocked; 1 person lost for several hours.	Do.
Kansas (eastern).....	17					Sleet.....	Only minor damage reported.	Do.
Pleasant Hill, La. (west of).....	17	5 p. m.	200	17	100,000	Tornado.....	Heavy property and timber damage over path 30 miles long; 20 persons severely injured.	Do.
Lake Bruin, La., to Alexander City, Ala.	17	7 p. m.		28		do.....	Much destruction of life and property at various points over a path more than 300 miles long. Many persons injured.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau; Shreveport Times (La.); Times-Record (Fort Smith, Ark.).
Apalachicola, Fla., and vicinity.	18					High wind.....	Slight damage in city; highways obstructed by fallen trees; Government telephone line broken.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Brundidge, Ala.....	18	5 p. m.			40,000	Thunderstorm.....	A school, warehouse, and stores damaged....	Do.
Galveston, Tex., and vicinity.	18				100,000	Gales.....	Many frame structures blown down; heavy damage to flying equipment at Fort Crockett; shipping delayed.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau; San Antonio Daily Express (Tex.).
Madison County, Fla.....	18	P. m.			5,000	Tornadoic wind.....	Considerable timber blown down; farm buildings, churches, and other property damaged.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Pennsylvania.....	18-21					Snow, sleet, and glaze.	Highways obstructed; rail transportation delayed; overhead wires broken; trees and small buildings damaged.	Do.
San Antonio, Tex. (near).....	18				10,000	Wind.....	Seven planes wrecked; hangars and other planes damaged at Stinson Field.	San Antonio Daily Press (Tex.).
Atlantic seaboard and inland north of Virginia.	19-21			21		Wind, rain, sleet, snow, and tides.	Many buildings wrecked; foundations undermined; telephone and other wires damaged by glaze; heavy losses at sea; shipping delayed; many persons injured.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau; The World (New York).
Oregon (western).....	20-24					Heavy rains.....	Floods damaged railroads, highways, bridges, and lowland crops; also caused loss of logs, river craft, and house boats.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Baker, Oreg.....	21					Wind.....	Several windows broken; wire lines damaged....	Do.
Helena, Mont.....	21					Violent gusts.....	Minor damage about city.	Do.
Cleveland (near), Tenn.....	22			1		Electrical.....	No property damage reported.	Do.
Beaumont, S. C.....	23	A. m.				Thunderstorm.....	Three persons injured by lightning.	Do.
Goulds, Fla.....	24					Hail.....	Probable injury to tomato crop.	Do.
Starke, Fla., and vicinity.	25	2 p. m.	440		500	do.....	Crops injured.	Do.
Maine, New Hampshire, and parts of Massachusetts.	25-26				200,000	Heavy snow and wind.	Public utilities sustain heavy losses; shipping menaced.	The Globe (Boston, Mass.).
New Jersey.....	26					Wind and tides.....	Storm similar to that of the 19th-21st, but less severe.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Garden City, Tex.....	28					Ice.....	Fruit considerably damaged.	Do.

<sup>1</sup> "Mi." signifies miles instead of yards.